STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS21502

March 4, 2013 marks the 150th anniversary of the creation of Idaho Territory. "Idaho at 150: Get Territorial" is a grassroots effort among government agencies, communities, and individuals across the state to educate Idahoans about their heritage and commemorate the 150 milestone.

As assigned by Governor Otter, the Idaho State Historical Society (ISHS) is leading the state in the planning and commemorating for Idaho's Territorial Sesquicentennial.

The concurrent resolution seeks the legislature to support and encourage Idahoans to explore and appreciate the territorial roots of contemporary Idaho and create lasting legacies for Idaho's future.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no request for additional general funds to support this commemorative effort. Legacy project support is being sought from private funders.

The Idaho State Historical Society is championing this commemoration in a unique manner, serving as a catalyst for a statewide grassroots effort that is created at the community level and branded and co-promoted for maximum impact. The ISHS has created a free, easy to use "Idaho at 150" toolkit (available at history.idaho.gov/idaho-150) to make the planning and implementation of this effort cost-effective and efficient.

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